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In response to the final Office Action dated April 14, 2005 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 14, 2005, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

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